

***Remarks***

Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1, 3, 4 and 6-11 are pending in the application, with claims 1 and 11 being the independent claims. Claims 1 and 11 are sought to be amended to delete the subject matter of sub-groups (b) and (c) of the claims. Claims 3 and 4 are amended to correct the resulting grammar. These changes are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested.

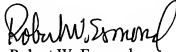
Based on the above amendment and the following remarks, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner reconsider all outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn.

The Advisory Action mailed October 28, 2009, indicates that claims 1, 3, 4 and 6-11 would be allowable if submitted in a separate, timely filed amendment canceling the sub-groups (b) and (c) from the claims. Having so amended the claims, Applicants submit that the application is in form for allowance. Early notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Supplemental Amendment and Reply is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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